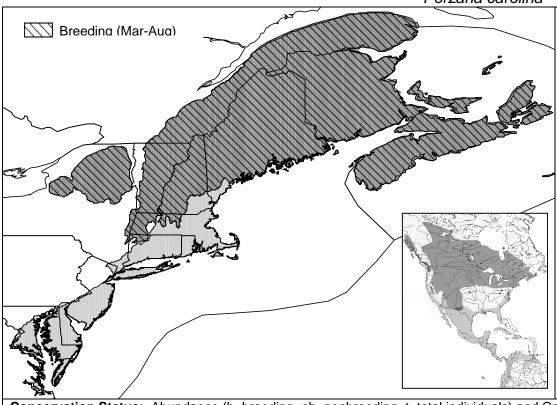
SORA Porzana carolina



Regional Occurrence (BCRs 14, 30)

- Distribution: breeds and migrates in region
- Habitats used: fresh-water marshes, flooded fields, open flats

PIF BD=1; PIF ND=1

Regional Abundance

- Current population size: unknown
- Historical population size: unknown
- decrease in regional population

PIF RA=3; PIF PT=3

Regional Threats

- Decreasing water levels can lead to a reduction in suitable habitat, loss of suitable stopover sites
- Imposing resident Canda Geese
- Collisions with tall, lighted towers and overhead wires
- Nest abandonment can result from human disturbance
- Hunted game bird in US

PIF TB=2; PIF TN=2

Conservation Status: Abundance (b=breeding, nb=nonbreeding, t=total individuals) and Conservation Rank

Global	North America	BCR 14	BCR 30	Mid-Atlantic	S. New England	Gulf of Maine	Maritimes
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IUCN-	NAWCP-	Low	Low	NJ-S4; DE-S2; MD-S1B,	NY-S4; CT-S2B, SZN; RI- S1B,	MA-S3; NH-S3B; ME-	QC-S5; NB- S4B
Not Evaluated	Low Concern	(PI=?)	(PI=?)	SZN; VA-S1B, S2N	S1N; MA-S3; VT- S2S3B,S3N	S4B; NB-S4B,NS-S4B	PE- S5B; NS- S4B

Conservation Needs: Sustainability: 0.85 eggs hatched / eggs laid; Density and Foraging Habitat: 0.1 birds / ha; 1.5-3.1 wintering birds / ha; stands of robust emergent vegetation interspersed with shorter, seed-producing emergents or floating and submergent vegetation; shallower portions of wetlands, later feeding in upland fields and row crops; migrants feed in wetlands with tall emergent vegetation, where wild or cultivated rice or flooded annual grasses and forbs; preferred water depths 5-15 cm, but often used deeper water, up to 46 cm; Issues: Preservation of wetlands that provide breeding, migration, and wintering habitats is of utmost importance. Soras can also benefit from policies that eliminate or minimize the effects of wetland draining/filling, pollution and invasion of exotic plants; Needs: monitoring, call-back survey; Population Goals: census; Habitat Goals: restoration of wild rice as stopover sites